

High Country Consulting, LLC (dba) Faith Initiatives of Wyoming

Organization Description

Founded in 2002, Faith Initiatives of Wyoming (FIW) is a statewide intermediary organization currently serving more than 1300 faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs). A subsidiary of High Country Consulting, LLC, FIW develops, strengthens, and supports awareness, understanding, and cooperation among faith-based organizations and assists them in meeting the needs of their local communities and the people of the State of Wyoming.

Project Description

Faith Initiatives of Wyoming will build capacity, improve efficiency, expand services, create collaboration, and broaden the funding base of faith-based and community organizations in the State of Wyoming.

Geographic Scope of Project The State of Wyoming.

Partnering Organizations

- · Catholic Dioceses of Wyoming
- Wyoming Association of Churches
- Wyoming Community Foundation
- Wyoming Department of Family Services Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives

Sub-Awards

FIW will provide \$92,985 in subawards to faith-based and community organizations. The type and number of sub-awards will be made based on four factors: the four targeted social service priority areas (at-risk youth, prisoner re-entry, elderly, and strengthening families), the complexity of the problem and associated service options, the population targeted to serve, and the number of recipients or individuals directly benefiting from services.

Project Objectives

- Enhance and expand capacity within Wyoming's FBCOs through technical assistance and general capacity-building training;
- 2. Enhance and expand capacity of Wyoming's FBCOs to provide a wide range of services to Wyoming residents in the four priority areas;
- Build community collaboration and partnership with and among FBCOs and the public, nonprofit, and private sectors;
- 4. Enhance and expand Wyoming's FBCOs through the mentoring model, utilizing three qualified regional representatives and peer mentors or coaches from the Wyoming Association of Churches participating faith organizations.

Project Strategies

 General Capacity Building— Conduct a series of technical assistance workshops/seminars aimed at developing a strong organizational foundation within Wyoming's FBCOs; PROJECT DIRECTOR: Kathleen Kelley kkelley@faithintiativeswy.net

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- Target Capacity Building—Work with FBCOs to build service capacity in the priority social service areas and to provide best practices training with two of the four project partners;
- Ongoing Technical Assistance— Provide ongoing technical assistance to FBCOs that have participated in any previous technical trainings and those that have successfully completed and have been awarded funding through the sub-award program.

Grant Award Amount \$371,941



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